Police Reports

Victim Wounded in Ankle During Robbery Attempt

Gunman Flees Without Taking Anything

John Wyatt, white, 37, 5526 Arts, was shot in the ankle by a young Negro gunman who tried to rob him at the Texaco Service Station at 9317 Airline hwy. early Wednesday.

The gunman, about 15, held a derringer on Wyatt shortly after midnight and demanded money. But before Wyatt could do anything, the gun discharged, and the youth fled without taking anything. Wyatt was not seriously wounded.

A man who carried two black water pistols was arrested the same morning shortly after he allegedly held up Ernest Drew, 31, 816 Orleans ave., in the Thunderbird Motel, 1910 Tulane ave., for the second time in three days.

Drew pushed a holdup alarm button the minute he saw Thomas Jefferson, 58, no local address, enter the motel office about 5 a. m.

Jefferson took $86.43 in cash, but Ptn. Jimmy Aucoin and Michael D'Argonne caught Jefferson on the steps of St. Joseph School, 417 S. Roman.

Jefferson allegedly escaped from the same motel with $72.70 after holding up the same employe early Monday.

A passing police car made a Negro man change his mind about holding up the Le Petit Motel, 2836 Tulane ave., about 11:30 p. m. Tuesday.

The man pointed a revolver at manager Thomas Raso, 22, 5934 Memphis, but fled after seeing the police car go by.

Louis Wells, 217 S. Roman, was robbed of $13 by two other youths who pulled a five-inch steak knife on him at N. Derbigny and Canal at 8:30 p. m. Tuesday.

DRIVER ARRESTED ON TWO CHARGES

Angelo Benjamin Conforto, 37, 128 Glenwood dr., Metairie,